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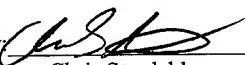
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application filed herewith, please enter the following preliminary amendment, based on claims amended in prosecution of the international application under Article 36 and published in the International Preliminary Examination Report, a copy of which is enclosed herewith:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Insert the attached Abstract page into the application as the last page thereof.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This application is a continuation of international application number PCT/IS00/00391, filed 4 July 2000, pending--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 12 as follows:

12. (Amended) A packet processor according to claim 11, wherein one of said devices is a storage unit, containing a code for operating the processor, said code being downloaded into the internal memory of each processing unit of the packet processor, and into said external memory unit when initializing the packet processor.

REMARKS

The above preliminary amendment is made to introduce amended sheets 44 -51 published in the International Preliminary Examination Report, and to remove multiple dependencies from claim 12.

A new abstract page is supplied to conform to that appearing on the publication page of the WIPO application, but the new Abstract is typed on a separate page as required by U.S. practice.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Marked-up Copy".


Applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the record prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, Gregory A. Sebald (Reg. No. 33,280), at (612) 336.4728.

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12. A packet processor according to claim[s] 11 [and 8], wherein one of said devices is a storage unit, containing a code for operating the processor, said code being downloaded into the internal memory of each processing unit of the packet processor, and into said external memory unit when initializing the packet processor.

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